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COMMENT DEADLINES ESTABLISHED FOR REQUEST FOR UPDATED INFORMATION AND COMMENT ON WIRELESS HEARING AID COMPATIBILITY REGULATIONS

WT Docket Nos. 07-250 and 10-254

On November 21, 2014, the Wireless Telecommunication Bureau and the Consumer and the Governmental Affairs Bureau released a Public Notice requesting updated information to assess whether the Commission's hearing aid compatibility rules for wireless handsets effectively meet the needs of individuals who are deaf and hard of hearing.¹ In this Public Notice, the Bureaus requested comment on two principal issues. First, should the Commission revise the hearing aid compatibility requirement to apply in a technologically neutral way to all mobile wireless devices that can be used for voice communications? Second, should the Commission consider moving away from the fractional compliance regime that exists today and implement a requirement that all mobile wireless devices must comply with the hearing aid compatibility rules?

The Public Notice requesting updating information and comment was published in the *Federal Register* on December 23, 2014.² Accordingly, comments must be filed with the Commission no later than January 22, 2015, and reply comments must be filed no later than February 6, 2015.

Action by the Chief, Spectrum and Competition Policy Division, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau.

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¹ Request for Updated Information and Comment on Wireless Hearing Aid Compatibility Regulations, WT Docket Nos. 07-250 & 10-254, *Public Notice*, DA 14-1688 (rel. Nov. 21, 2014).

² See 79 Fed. Reg. 76944 (Dec. 23, 2014).